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Plans Progressing For 1993 Homecoming

The 40th annual Santa Anna Ex-Student Homecoming will be held Friday and Saturday, October 15 and 16, with a full schedule of events planned for former students, teachers and friends. Leading the group this year is Deborah Aldridge Long, Santa Anna Ex-Student Association president.

Activities on Friday will begin with open house at the Hospitality Room at Mountain City Center. Local and out-of-town people are invited to go by and visit and have refreshments beginning at 10:30 a.m. and continuing until time for the Homecoming parade.

The pep rally at Perry Gymnasium will follow the parade, and the football game with Irion County (Mertzon) will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Halftime activities will feature the presentation of Ex-Student of the Year, Distinguished Teacher of the Year, Coming Home Queen and SAHS Homecoming Queen. The parade and halftime events are coordinated by the SAHS student groups.

Saturday activities will begin with registration and a coffee at 9:00 a.m. at the school cafeteria. The business meeting and entertainment will be from 10:30 to 12:00 noon. Honorees and special guests will be introduced and a memorial time observed. Officers and directors for the next two years will be elected during the brief business session.

A buffet luncheon will be catered at the cafeteria for all attending. Tickets will be available at the door.

Afternoon events will feature class reunions, with a number of groups planning to meet. Those not included in the reunions will enjoy an afternoon of visiting at the downtown Hospitality Room.

A dance at the Civic Center (Armory) and a golf tournament are also being planned for the weekend.

Dozens of local people will be assisting with the events, and a large crowd of former students and friends are expected this year. Former students from classes ending in "3" and "8" will be recognized at the meeting and are urged to plan reunions during the weekend.

Former students and teachers are encouraged to attend the get-together October 15 and 16. Additional information on the activities will be announced during the coming weeks.

CLASS REUNIONS PLANNED:

CLASS OF 1943

Members of the SAHS Class of 1943 will receive special recognition during the 1993 Homecoming as they observe their 50th reunion. Local class members are encouraged to plan a get-together for the group. Information on the reunion will be announced at a later date.

CLASS OF 1938

Local members of the Class of 1938 are planning a get-together for members and spouses of the group for their 55th anniversary. Those planning to attend are asked to contact M. L. Guthrie, Jr. for more information.

CLASS OF 1933

Plans for a reunion for members of the Class of 1933 are being made by members of the group, with the time and place to be announced later.

CLASS OF 1948

Coyita Griffin Bowker will host a get-together of the Class of 1948 following the football game Friday, October 15. Also invited are members of the classes of 1947 and 1949. The Class of 1948 will also be recognized at the Saturday program.

CLASS OF 1953

A reunion and get-together for members of the Class of 1953 is being planned for Saturday, October 16 at 2 p.m. in the First Baptist Church Christian Life Center.

CLASS OF 1930

The Class of 1930 has met annually since their 50th reunion in 1980. Although small in number, the group is expected to get together during the Homecoming.

CLASS OF 1973

Ronnie Daniel, Randy Long and Ricky Jones are coordinating plans for the 20th reunion for the Class of 1973. Tony Allen Watson is securing addresses for the group, with each to be notified of the date and place for their get-together.

CLASS OF 1963

The Class of 1963 will meet in the conference room of the administration building following the football game on Friday evening, October 15. Saturday plans are to meet at the home of Donnie and Chris Henderson in Coleman. All friends and families are welcome. For more information call Carole Campbell Voss at 348-3013.

Any other classes planning reunions during the homecoming weekend are asked to call the NEWS office at 348-3545 with that information.

See other Homecoming Information Pages 3 & 4.

Meals On Wheels Needs Funds

"Operating funds are getting low for Santa Anna Meals on Wheels," says Lois Wallace who has recently been appointed director of that local program.

Fifty-five meals are currently being served each week in Santa Anna at a cost of \$2.50 per meal.

Participants are asked to contribute if at all possible, but according to Mrs. Wallace, some are simply not able to pay toward the cost. The meals are delivered by volunteers to shut-ins throughout the community.

In years past local organizations were asked to help fund the program. As finances got tight for local people and organizations, some dropped their giving, leaving the program without funds it had come to count on. Meals on Wheels is a local program and receives no government funding.

Mrs. Wallace is seeking help from those organizations again, and encourages you to remember Meals on Wheels when making memorials for friends and loved ones.

She may be contacted at 348-3866. Contributions may be mailed to P.O. Box 36, Santa Anna, Tx.



Santa Anna received 2.20 inches of rain Monday thru Tuesday. Some outlying areas reported anywhere from 1.50 to 3 inches. The cooler weather is also a welcome relief from the 100+ readings of recent weeks.



Ready to battle the Bangs Dragons, the 1993 Mountaineer football squad is pictured here from left to right, front row: Roger Guerrero, Glen Donham, Randy DeLeon, Anthony Thomas, Josh LeMond, Josh Spivey, Mark Yancy. Middle row: Rickey Enriquez,

Johnny Lawhon, Manuel Frausto, Tom Guthrie, William Loyd, Johnny W. Diaz, Jackie Kirven, Kevin Morris. Back Row: Tim Perry, Tony DeLeon, Carlos Garza, Danny DeLeon, Joe Baugh, James Balderas, Lee Keeney.

Mountaineers At Bangs Fri. In Traditional Season Opener

Its bound to be a knock'em-sock'em night in Bangs Friday when the Santa Anna Mountaineers make their appearance there to take on the Dragons in the football season opener for both teams. The longtime traditional opening game between Santa Anna and Bangs provides thrills and chills for fans and a large crowd is expected to be on hand for this year's battle which will begin at 8:00 p.m.

The Mountaineers finished third in District 10-A last year behind Eden and Menard and in front of Irion County and Miles. The Black and Gold is expected to hold its own with the same crowd again this year.

Although a lot younger team overall, quickness is the name of the game for Santa Anna this year. A solid kicking game and strong passing game will add to the team's strength. According to Coach Smith, Kevin Morris, who picked

up the team at mid-season last year, "is a winner and gets the job done" at quarterback. He threw eight touchdown passes in the 1992 season. Back again with Morris are ends Tony DeLeon and Joe Baugh. Running backs Anthony Thomas and Carlos Garza return from an offense that averaged 21 points a game last season.

Eight Mountaineers have earned two letters and eight others have earned one, so there is a fair amount of experience, but not too much depth. Coach John Smith counts seven seniors on the squad this year, four of which started both offensively and defensively last year. He has only two juniors, one who started both ways. That means he is having to count heavily on his sophomores.

Rounding out the team are Roger Guerrero, Glen Donham, Randy DeLeon, Josh LeMond, Josh Spivey, Mark Yancy, Rickey Enriquez, Johnny Lawhon, Manuel Frausto, Tom Guthrie, Williams Loyd, Johnny W. Diaz, Jackie Kirven, Tim Perry, Danny DeLeon, James Balderas and Lee Keeney.

Assisting Smith at coaching duties are Ray Findley, David Robinette and Ronn Langthorn.

The Bangs Dragons were picked to finish sixth in 8-2A last year, but surprised everyone by ending the season in third place with a 6-4 record. Like the Mountaineers, they

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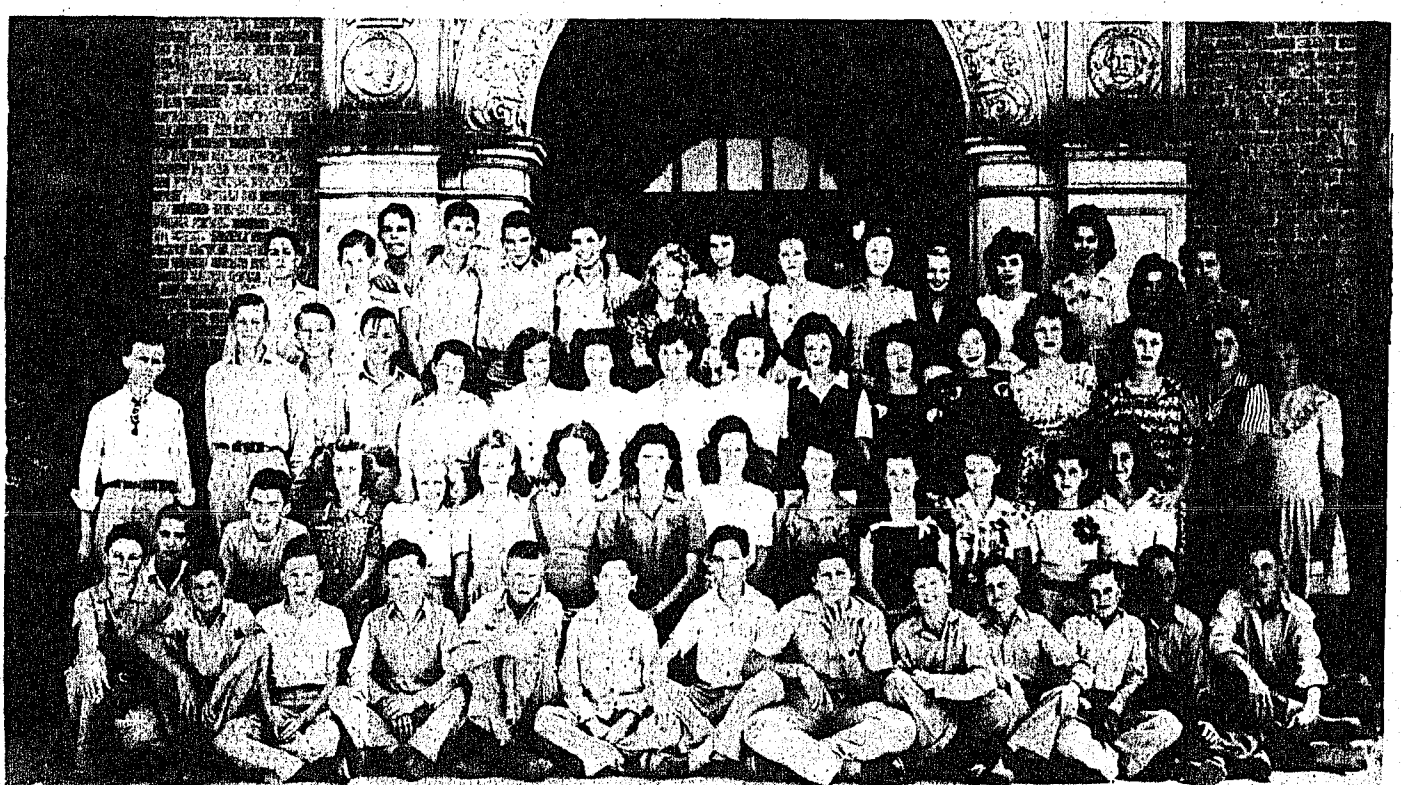
The Santa Anna News staff will work only part of Monday - long enough to attend to necessary chores. We encourage you to get news items in by Thursday or Friday of this week for next week's edition, if at all possible.

The school, post office and several other businesses will be closed in observance of Labor Day. It would be advisable to check if you plan to make a trip to town Monday.

are also lacking in experience and are counting on quickness to carry the team through the season. Bangs defeated the Mountaineers 35-12 in last year's meeting.

Coach Smith indicated he and the rest of the coaching staff were "very pleased" with Santa Anna's playing during the scrimmage last week at Hawley. Each team scored one time, "However," said Smith, "Hawley's score came against our second bunch." He went on to say, "Actually we whipped them pretty good."

Win Cash Prizes
Play
Mountaineer
Football Frenzy.
See page 4



Class of 48 Will Hold Homecoming Reunion

The SAHS Class of 1948 will hold a reunion during the Ex-Student Association to be held Oct. 15-16. Members are shown here as freshmen during the 1944-45 school year. They are, left to right, 4th row (top), Del Ray Stacy, James Goodwin, unidentified, Henry Goodwin, Robert Glynn Henderson, Alton Bishop, Billie Faye Newton, Rowena McClain, Jo Evelyn French, Hazel Rowe, Marilyn England, Wanda Dixon, unidentified; 3rd row: Mrs. Sikes, Arthur Dean Talley, Elgean Shield, Jonie Hartman, Theola Stewardson, Beverly Stockard, Sadie Watson, Wanda Price, Johnnie Ethel

Steward, Nita Bowker, Neva Wise, Earl Jean Woodard, Virginia Lewallen, Betty Ware, Mary Lou Clark. 2nd row: Donnie Estes, Jimmy McCloud, Sybil Fellers, Mary Clark, unidentified, Lavonia Lane, Betty Ware, Ruby Jean Humphries, Coyita Griffin, Joyce Moredock, Estel Dixon, unidentified. Bottom row: Bryan Hodges, Olin Horton, Darwin Schrader, Chester Bryan, Red Ball, Billy Bob Jackson, Bobby Hewlett, John Franklin Irick, Gen Ray Griffin, Harold Mills, Jerry Nick Buse, Billy Joe Robinett, Boyd Stewardson.

Santa Anna — A Town Of Friendly People
Saying "hello" to Louise Moore of Washington, Iowa

City Employee —Obituaries— On Call This Weekend

The City Crew member on call this weekend is Doug Watson collect at 625-3477 or call mobile phone 348-5019.

Watch the Santa Anna News each week for the city employee to call in case of a city utility emergency.

WIC Announces Office And Hours In Santa Anna

The WIC program has announced that they will be at the Santa Anna Housing Authority on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of even numbered months. Persons interested in an appointment are asked to call 625-3447 on Monday and Thursdays.

WIC is a program which helps children up to five years old, infants, moms and expectant moms with certain foods, nutrition information, check ups and health care.

Wilma Williams

Mrs. Blake (Wilma) Williams, 84, of Rockwood, died Thursday, August 26, 1993 at 6:00 a.m. at her residence in Rockwood.

Services were at 11 a.m. Saturday, August 28, 1993 at Rockwood Baptist Church with the Rev. David Tidd officiating, assisted by the Rev. Jeff Bean. Burial will be in Rockwood Cemetery, directed by Henderson Funeral Home. Mrs. Williams was born April 7, 1909 and raised in Rockwood. She graduated from Coleman High School in 1928 and attended Texas Tech University. She was a Methodist and a member of the Rockwood Home Demonstration Club. She was also a homemaker and schoolteacher. She married Blake Williams July 29, 1932 in Santa Anna.

She lived in Houston for 18 years returning to Rockwood in 1972.

Survivors include her husband, Blake Williams of Rockwood, a daughter, Carolyn (Mrs. Chris) Williams of Houston; two sisters, Sammie McCreary and Oleta Mobley, both of Santa Anna, one granddaughter, Veronica Freyer of Houston and one grandson, Blake McWherter of Houston.

Pallbearers were Curtis Bryan, Alec Cooper, Jake McCreary, Garland McSwain, Blake McWherter and Greg Mobley.

Felix Smith

Felix M. Smith, 92, died Thursday, August 26, 1993 in a Brownwood hospital.

Services were at 11 a.m. Saturday at Stevens Funeral Home in Coleman with the Rev. Raymond Dunn officiating. Burial was in the Santa Anna Cemetery.

Born in Coleman County, Mr. Smith was reared in Liberty. He moved from Santa Anna to Bangs in 1947. He was a retired carpenter and member of the Assembly of God Church. He was the widower of Gertrude Manning Smith.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. W. C. (Jo Ella) Smith of Bangs; one son, James Edward Smith of Brownwood; three grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Cotton Festival In Miles Sept. 11

The 17th annual Miles Cotton Festival will be held on September 11 in the Miles City Park. Festivities throughout the day will include arts and crafts booths, a brisquet cook-off, a parade through downtown Miles, games for children and adults, a talent show and entertainment by area musicians.

A noon meal will be served at the historic Miles Opera House and fast food booths will be located in the City Park.

A barbecue supper will be served from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., followed by the Miles Cotton Queen Contest. Buddie Hrabal and his Memory Lane Band will provide music for a street dance from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Memory Lane was voted 1990 "Band of the Year" by the Metroplex Country Music Association and also received the 1990 Terry Award for "Danceband of the Year."

Miles is located on Highway 67 between San Angelo and Ballinger. For more information contact the Miles Opera House at (915) 468-3001 or the Miles Messenger at (915) 468-3611.

Prussic Acid Poisoning

By: Marty Gibbs, CEA-AG

Generally we associate prussic acid poisoning with livestock grazing sudan, sorghum-sudan hybrids or Johnson grass which has been subjected to a killing frost in the fall. However, prussic acid may also accumulate to toxic levels in these plants when rain causes new growth in drought stressed plants.

Prussic acid (hydrocyanic acid) is not found in large quantities in healthy growing plants. The acid develops only when the normal growth of plants has been retarded or stopped by drought, wilting, trampling, bruising or following a frost. New growth of drought stressed sorghums stimulated by rain showers may become especially dangerous if eaten by animals. Highest prussic acid generally occurs about a week after showers stimulate new growth of stunted plants.

Producers should wait about two weeks after a rain shower before grazing to let the plants become healthy again and allow the prussic acid to dissipate. When cutting sorghums for hay during drought stress periods, allow the hay to sun dry for three or four days before baling into air-tight bales. Sun drying of sorghum hays will allow the acid to dissipate.

There is a test to determine the prussic acid content of sorghum forages. The sample should be taken from across the field making sure to collect forages from several different stages of plant growth until you have a bundle about five or six inches thick. Take a knife and cut a half inch slice across the leafiest section of the bundle and place the cross section in an air-tight plastic bag inside a Styrofoam cooler. The accuracy of the test depends of the freshness of the sample. Test forms are available at the county extension office. These tests will tell you the prussic acid content of that sample on that day. Therefore, the tests are not that reliable. The recommendation for producers is to keep livestock out of sorghum forage fields for two weeks after a rain or after a killing frost in the fall to allow the prussic acid to dissipate. For more information or to have a sample tested, call the county extension office.

A nation is molded by the tests that its people meet and master.

Library Notes

Check It Out

By Alice Anna Spillman

Every once in a while those who work at the library have a perfect day. Betty Key had such a day on Thursday.

1. A student came by just to sit and study.
2. A couple of new readers signed up.
3. A few people came in to check out books.

4. Someone donated a stack of books.

5. Then the crowning joy. Geneva Garrett brought her granddaughter in for a first library visit. They visited the children's section—selected books and looked at them. Geneva had brought a complete set for Laura Ingalls Wilder Little House books. She gave these to the library. Her granddaughter saw that act and the happiness it brought to Betty. How many of you parents or grandparents took time to teach a child about the pleasures of going to the library—of sharing books? Thank you Geneva for inspiring the library staff. The books are a blessing. Our set were discarded by Abilene library and given to us several years ago. They show their age. Geneva has given several special books to the children's area. Each shows great care in selection. The Garretts also have made a nice donation. We regret that we didn't have a movie of the of the child's first library visit. It would be one of the classics.

Ruth Wilkins brought 11 books for the shelves. Three especially caught my interest Buddy Boys is the true story of the Brooklyn 77th Precinct of the police. How corruption and bribes can ruin a city. "True Stories of Deaths" by Dr. Thomas T. Noguchi. He was the famous corner of Los Angeles county. Some of his cases involved Marilyn Monroe, Sharon Tate, and Janis Joplin. "Human Wolves" was written by Lear B. Reed. This is the story of 17 years in the Kansas City Police Department. He was a former special agent with the FBI.

If you like true reports of crime—check these books out. Joann Allen brought some books from her aunt, Mrs. Forrest Johnson of Odessa. They are new top rated fiction. "Sliver" is a science fiction type involving a new tall, slim shaped building.

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Community Service Clothing Center Re-opens In Downtown

After several years of inactivity, the Community Service Center has re-opened at the downtown location. The facility, sponsored by the local Seventh-day Adventist Church, collects and distributes clothing and household goods to families in need. The new schedule is planned for once each month, with the first date to be Monday, September 6. Hours will be from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Although the opening date is a holiday, it is hoped it might be a convenient time for working families and their children to come to the center to make their selections.

Ernestine Stark of Bangs, a member of the local congregation, is the new director of the facility. She has had experience with similar community services in Athens and Brownwood, and with the help of her husband and other volunteers has added display space and re-arranged the clothing and other goods.

Although clothing is to be distributed at the present time, some household goods, bedding and furniture are available for families who have lost their homes to fire or other disaster.

Mrs. Stark has also stated that donations of good used clothing and household items will be welcomed. She may be reached at her residence in Bangs, 752-7195, or by contacting Bob Stumph, pastor of the church, or Nathan Starr, a local member.

The generosity of the community makes the project a success, according to Mrs. Stark. All help will be appreciated and those who need the help provided are encouraged to go by next Monday.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

SEPTEMBER 2

Jeannie Patterson
Mr&Mrs Donald Fellers*
Mr&Mrs David Key*

SEPTEMBER 3

Virgil Lancaster
Mr&Mrs Carlton Watson

SEPTEMBER 4

James Hartman

SEPTEMBER 5

Debbie Horton Dean
Mr&Mrs Montie Guthrie*

SEPTEMBER 6

Kelly Simmons
Ashley Bible
Vicki Ford
Leanna Hartman
Darbi Neff
Jacob Pritchard
Missy Moore Lee

SEPTEMBER 7

Nathan Wise

SEPTEMBER 8

Ruby Fleeman
Patrick Hosch
Rod Musick II
Janet Neff
Sandra Wilson
Cecil Ellis
Steve Malacr

SEPTEMBER 9

Mark Turney
Glen Copeland
Johnnie Lawhorn
Haley Slate

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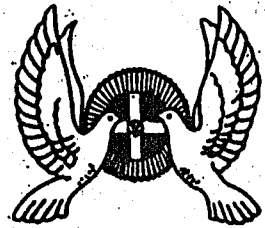
Assembly of God
Brady Hwy.
James Ford - Pastor
Sunday School - 9:45
Worship Service - 11:00
Sunday Evening - 6:30
Wednesday Evening - 7:00

Northside Church Of Christ
310 Ave. B
Aaron Lemon - Minister
Sunday Bible Classes - 9:30
Sunday Worship - 9:30
Sunday Evening - 6:00
Wednesday Evening - 6:30

First Baptist Church
106 S. Lee
Waide Messer - Pastor
Sunday School - 9:30
Worship Service - 10:45
Sunday Evening - 6:00
Mission Organizations - 6:00
Wednesday
All Age Groups Bible Study - 6:00

Northside Baptist Church
708 Ave. B
Sunday School - 9:45
Worship Service - 10:50
Sunday Evening - 6:30
W.M.A. 1st & 3rd Mon. - 2:00
Wed. Nursing Home Service - 10:00
Wednesday Prayer Service - 6:00

First United Methodist Church
405 South 1st
David Tidd - Pastor
Sunday School - 9:45
Worship Service - 11:00
UMYF - 5:00
Fellowship Dinner Each 5th Sun.



Cordero Baptist Church
Ave. C & South 8th
Joe M. Frausto - Pastor
Sunday School - 9:45
Worship Service - 11:00
Evening Worship - 5:00
Wed. Bible Study - 6:30

Presbyterian Church
1001 Willis
Cyde Majors - Interim Pastor
Sunday School - 9:45
Worship Service - 11:00
Family Night Dinner - 3rd Wed.
Fellowship Dinner Each 5th Sunday

Seventh Day Adventist Church
Ranger Park
Robert L. Stumph - Pastor
Saturday
Sabbath School - 9:30
Worship Service - 11:00
Vespers - SDA School - 4:00
Tuesday
Prayer Meeting - 7:00 at school

St. Willow Baptist Church
Brady Highway
R.L. Brown - Pastor
Sunday Worship - 11:00

New Hope Community Church
Brady Highway
D.C. McNeal - Pastor

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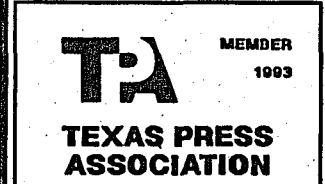
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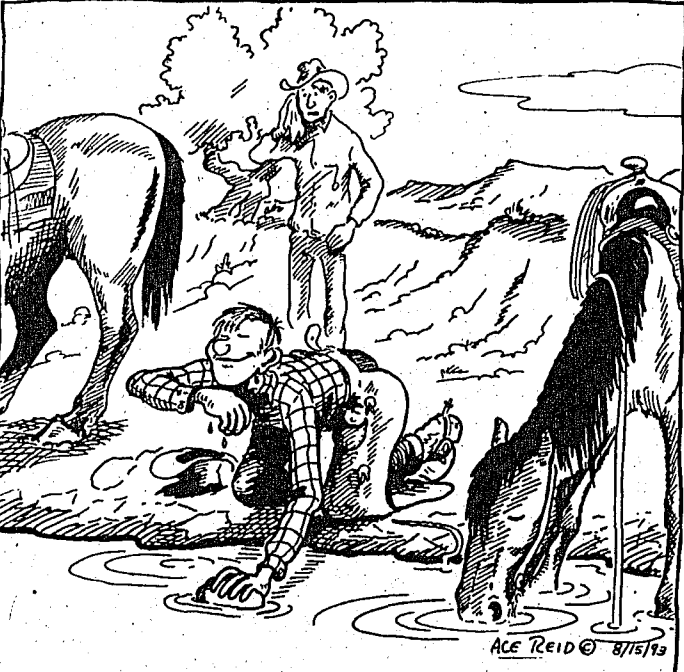
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By Ace Reid



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SAHS Graduate Battalion Commander In Brownwood

Editors Note: The following article written by Harriette Graves, Brownwood Bulletin Features Editor appeared recently in the Brownwood Bulletin's special tabloid about the Groner Pitts National Guard Armory.

Major Larry Rutherford could very easily be the busiest man in Brownwood as he ties together the events leading up to the dedication ceremonies for the new National Guard Armory on Friday.

Rutherford, battalion commander for the 3rd Battalion, 112th Armor, recently replaced LTC Joe Shaw as the new commander.

Rutherford, who will serve as host for the dedication, is not only battalion commander, but is also a fulltime administration officer and the only fulltime battalion commander assigned a battalion command in Texas.

Rutherford's last assignment was assistant of G3. He also served as

operation and training officer of the 49th Armored Division and is full-time commander assigned to the Brownwood unit.

He has led training exercises for numerous foreign countries including Honduras, Central America, Federal Republic of Germany and Belgium.

His awards include Army Commendation Medal for Outstanding Performance during exercises conducted at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas Battle Command Training Program.

Military schools he attended include the Command and General Staff College and the Battle Command Training program.

Rutherford is a graduate of Santa Anna High School and Howard Payne University. He is married and has three children.

He is the son of Claudia Rutherford and the late Jim Rutherford of Rockwood.

Girl Scouts Plan Organizational Meeting Sept. 9

An organizational meeting for Girl Scouts will be held Thursday, September 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the Methodist Annex. All girls, kindergarten through 6th grade and their moms are invited to join the exciting world of scouting.

Registration is \$6.00 per girl and adult. Please bring immunization/health record. Our meetings will be held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays beginning September 22. Tony Watson, Daisy (Kinder) leader will meet directly after school, 3:00-4:30 p.m. Suzie Voss, Brownie (1st-3rd) leader and Peggy Hensley, Junior (4th-6th) leader will meet from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Other meetings will be scheduled as needed. If you have any questions, please call Peggy Hensley, 348-3802 or Suzie Voss, 348-3777.

Confusion May Result From Santa Anna ISD Tax Notice

A tax notice published in this newspaper and paid for by the Santa Anna I.S.D. may leave some local taxpayers scratching their heads in confusion.

The notice incorrectly states that the school tax rate will grow by 269 percent. But in publishing the notice, local school officials are only complying with a state law.

"This is one of those situations where the law doesn't make any sense, but we must nevertheless comply with it or risk serious consequences," said Jim McPherson, Superintendent of Schools.

Santa Anna I.S.D. is required by the state's "truth-in-taxation" law to publish an official notice reporting last year's tax rate, the proposed tax rate for this year, and the percentage increase. However, due to a drafting oversight in the new school finance law, the notice significantly understates the tax rate for last year and produces a misleading compar-

The Way We Were

AUGUST 29, 1963

The 1963-64 school year will get underway Tuesday, September 3 announces Supt. Cullen N. Perry.

The Mountaineer football team will have their only scrimmage of the season tonight at the local field with the San Saba field.

The Class of 1953 is the first to announce they will hold a class reunion at the annual homecoming of Ex-Students of the Santa Anna schools.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Bill McClellan Wednesday, August 21.

Funeral services for W. T. Bowers, 76, of Coleman, were held Wednesday in the First Methodist Church in Coleman.

Funeral services for Mrs. Dave Ellis, 82, were held at the Rockwood Methodist Church Thursday, August 22.

son between last year's and this year's school taxes.

Under the previous school finance law, the county education district (CED) levied part of the taxes used for operating schools and the school district levied the rest. Under the new school finance law, CEDs are eliminated and all school taxes are levied by the school district.

Last year, the county education district imposed a tax rate of \$1.04 (per \$100 of value) and Santa Anna I.S.D. imposed a tax rate of \$.36 for a combined school tax rate of \$1.40. This year, Santa Anna I.S.D. is proposing a tax rate of \$1.34.

Because of the mistake in the new school finance law, Santa Anna I.S.D. is required to report a 1992-93 tax rate of \$.36, a 1993-94 tax rate of \$1.34, and an increase of 269 percent, when in reality the rate will decrease by 4.25 percent.

In an effort to correct the misinformation, Santa Anna I.S.D. is publishing alongside the tax notice

In an effort to correct the misinformation, Santa Anna I.S.D. is publishing alongside the tax notice an advertisement indicating that the official tax rate is wrong. The supplemental advertisement, also paid for by the school district, provides the correct tax information.

The new school finance law, Senate Bill 7, was enacted on May 31, 1993.

For more information concerning the school tax rate contact Jim McPherson, Superintendent of Schools at (915) 348-3136.

College Bound

Toby Absher is returning to Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos where he will be completing his final semester.

He plans to work toward a master's degree in Criminal Justice following his graduation.

Toby is the son of Gary and Teresa Absher of Santa Anna.

contact the EPA immediately and request relief for an exemption from these rules because of the emergency nature and potentially dangerous situation of the continued dry conditions," Perry said. "The imminent threat to public safety does not give the Department of Transportation the time required to seek the required federal permits.

"Rural Texas and agriculture are the backbone of this state. The potential for loss of crops, livestock, homes and human life make it imperative that everyone respond quickly to this situation," Perry said.

Growing Up At Whon, Texas

Editor's Note: The following is the fourth in a series which ran in the News in 1983. We know our readers will enjoy reading it again as well as those reading it for the first time.

Every Saturday morning our family dressed up in our good clothes and "Sunday" shoes (never called 'dress' shoes) and drove to Santa Anna to spend the day. This was the custom of most of the families in the community, with hundreds of people in town from early until late.

We always saw the Saturday special movies at the Queen Theatre where Gwendolyn Oakes (Walker) sold tickets. Gene Autry, Tom Mix and Johnnie Mack Brown were stars in some of the movies I remember.

I sure hated to get to be twelve years old, because the price of the ticket went up to 25 cents.

Mrs. Oakes, Gwendolyn's mother, taught art, and Corine Bengé and I took lessons from her, as well as Mrs. Curry and Mrs. J. W. Taylor. These I remember because I thought their paintings were so good.

Controlling Your Child's Sweet Tooth

By: Carol Katzer

Do your children seem to "live" on candy, cookies, popicles, sugared cereal and cola? Like many parents, you may be worried that too much sugar is leading to tooth decay and reducing the nutritional quality of your children's diets.

You may be able to do something about the problem, especially if your children are still young, but it could require changing some of your habits and attitudes as well as theirs.

Children come by their desire for sweets honestly. Studies have shown that infants are born with a preference for sweetened liquids over plain liquids. This preference will continue, especially if children have continued positive experiences with sweets.

As parents we create many of these experiences by offering sweets to comfort or reward our child, to express affection and to celebrate special occasions. We sometimes use sweets to compensate when we're busy or tired, or to keep the children distracted or quiet. That doesn't mean we need to give up birthday cakes or stop eating cookies. In fact, giving children sweets

Saturday was called "butter and egg" day, with produced brought to town to be sold or traded. We sold produce to the Monroes, Doris and Bill Griffin, and in the fall we sold turkeys to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jones.

Neal Oakes worked for Mr. Bill Thate at Piggly Wiggly grocery store. I remember when Kraft came out with the new cheese, Velveta, and we bought a two-pound package of it. When we got home to Whon, the cheese was soft and tasted different, and Mama thought it wasn't good. The next Saturday we took the cheese back to Mr. Thate, and I remember he frowned, then grinned and handed it to Neal and told him to refund the money.

I don't know how many years it was before Mama and I realized the cheese we bought was good—just a different taste and texture from what we were accustomed to!

We usually had dinner (not lunch!) at Mrs. Routh's Cafe. Not only was her food delicious, but she sold birds and had cages of them and many plants in the cafe, much like the city shops now with plants in the atriums.

Sometimes we ate at the

Hamburger Place run by D. O. Lane, or at Donham's Service Cafe. Occasionally we packed a picnic lunch and ate under the big oak tree at Mr. Gay's Lumber Yard (the tree still stands in the abandoned yard on Wallis Avenue).

Lola Stephens operated a beauty shop, and the Shirley Temple permanent was in vogue. The electric permanent machines were in use, connecting the patron by wires to the numerous curlers (looking somewhat like something from outer space!). I remember what a great step was taken when the cold wave permanent came in.

Margaret (Pinkie) Shultz was another beauty operator in town, and she and Martha Harvey worked for Mrs. Hale over the drug store.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Blue sold hardware, and Jodie Mathews sold Chevrolet cars in 1936.

In the bank I remember Mr. Oscar Cheaney, Mrs. B. Weaver and Hubert Turner. J. W. Kelley and Co. grocery and hardware on the corner was very big. Seems like they had everything from harness to clothes.

The Hosch-Funeral Home was on the south side of their grocery and furniture store, in the old tin building that is still standing.

Ragsdale Bakery, located where the Sewing Basket is now located, filled the town with the aroma of fresh-baked bread.

Phillips Drug was owned and operated by Elsie Lee and Ruby Harper, with Jim Riley as pharmacist. Mrs. Shockley and Mr. Purdy operated dry goods stores.

The town didn't have a public rest room, so we used the facilities at any of the above mentioned stores, usually rotating to avoid becoming a bother at any one place.

The rodeo was a big occasion and busy time in Santa Anna, with a parade through town. I remember the parade was routed by the home of Dr. T. R. Sealy who was ill and unable to attend. The next year, after Dr. Sealy's death, a riderless white horse led the parade in memory of our great doctor.

Dr. L.O. Garrett was our dentist, and Dr. Tyson's office was located over the bank.

The city golf course was located just west of town, where the Charlie Bruce home is now located. Since we had a bare yard which we just swept clean, I always was impressed at the pretty green park-like area at the golf course.

A History Of Santa Anna Homecomings: 1953-1993

The 1993 Santa Anna Ex-Student Homecoming marks the 40th year for the event. Information from back issues of The Santa Anna News provided names and notes of the annual get-together.

Approximately 100 former Santa Anna students met at the school gymnasium on November 7, 1952 to organize the Ex-Student Association and make plans for a reunion the following year. M. L. Guthrie, Jr. ('38) was elected president and Patricia Davis ('50) was elected secretary. Meeting with the group were members of the SAHS student body.

Miss Bettie Blue (1902), Hardy Blue (1910) and Fannie Whelstone Bryan (1912) were from the earliest classes attending.

At the first homecoming in 1953, Dr. O. J. Curry of Denton was honored as Ex-Student of the Year.

M. L. Guthrie was re-elected president for the 1954 reunion and John C. Gregg was president of the 1955 meeting. There were no honorees listed for those two years.

Mrs. Maud Evans, a long-time teacher, was honoree in 1956, with

William Brown ('33) serving as president of the Ex-Students.

Coyita Griffin Bowker (48) was president in 1957, with A. D. Pettit honored as former teacher. Linda Riley was SAHS Homecoming Queen.

Dr. Burgess Sealy of Fort Worth ('27) was honored as Ex-Student of the Year in 1958, with Donnie Simmons the Ex-Student president.

Faye Routh Mobley was president of the group in 1959 when Joe Bailey Cheaney ('21) was honored. Jane Horne was crowned SAHS Homecoming Queen.

Ex-Student president in 1960 was Edd Hartman. State Senator Louis Crump of San Saba, a 1933 graduate, was honored as Ex-Student of the Year, and Patsy Cupps was

Homecoming Queen from SAHS.

Wanda Price Campbell (1948) was president of the Association in 1961, with Dr. Francine Merritt of Baton Rouge, La. (1934), the Ex-Student of the Year.

To Be Continued In Future Issues of the NEWS

Perry Urges DOT To Begin Program To Reduce Fire Hazards

AUSTIN—Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry is urging the Texas Department of Transportation to begin a program of mowing right-of-ways and blading fireguards in response to the current dry conditions in Texas that have turned many areas of the state into fire hazards.

"Dry conditions in some parts of the state present an immediate threat to Texas agriculture and the safety of all Texans," Perry said. "The blading of fireguards, whether on right-of-ways or private lands will help prevent fires from spreading and will help contain fires if

they should start."

In a letter addressed to Arnold Oliver, executive director of the Texas Department of Transportation, Perry acknowledged TDOT's willingness to re-blade existing fireguards. However, under a ruling by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, TDOT has been unable to blade new fireguards, since this would be a violation of federal storm water regulations.

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Cleveland News By Carol Herring

Sunday visitor with John and Juanita Naron was John's mother, Bernice Payne.

Weekend visitors of Vera Wise were Sharon Taylor of Dallas, Shannon Pucket of Weatherford and Tallion Taylor of Abilene.

The Emil Williams have been during the week by Ovella Williams.

Dick and Carmilla Baugh were visited on Sunday by Nancy Lowry and children of Bangs and J. C. Bible.

Clara Cupps was visited on Thursday evening by Nona Bell Ellis. Ovella Williams was out to visit with Rachel and Clara last Sunday evening.

Cecil and Nona Bell Ellis visited with Mrs. Grace Ellis during the week.

Margie Fleming was visited on Sunday by Phyllis and Eddie Dillard.

Visitors with Thelma Fleming were Peggy and Kenneth Sikes of Bangs, Iris Seaton, Jeremy and Jessica of Brownwood and Tex Wright.

Thelma and Ovella Williams attended the Baugh Reunion in Bronte on Saturday.

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News For And About Santa Anna Mountaineers



Students Participate In Homecoming Activities

The annual Homecoming events are exciting for local students, and their participation is very important for a successful event.

The Homecoming parade is organized each year by the SAHS Student Council, and most of the classes and organizations are enthusiastic about taking part. A number of decorated cars and floats are

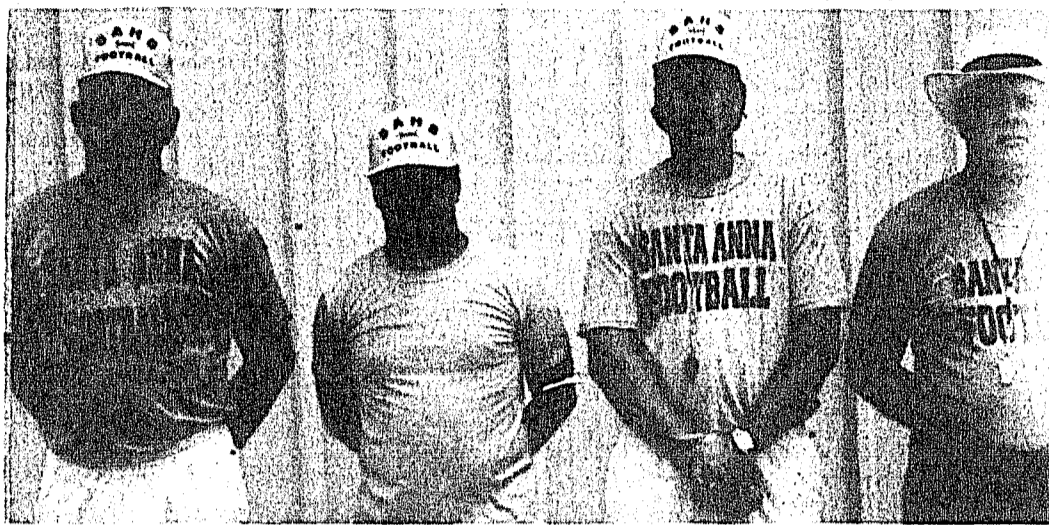
included in the parade each year, with cash prizes given the winning entries.

The Mountaineer marching band is expected to lead the parade, with Homecoming Queen nominees and Ex-Student honorees to be featured.

The Homecoming Queen is traditionally selected from four nominees from the Senior Class and

crowned during halftime activities at the football game. The selection is made by the student body. Last year's Queen was Marixia Longoria.

Another traditional event for the Homecoming weekend is a bonfire and pep rally on Thursday evening before the football game. The SAHS cheerleaders coordinate the event, with the help of other students and parents.



DIRECTING THE MOUNTAINEERS THIS YEAR are head coach/athletic director, John Smith, Ronn Langthorn, David Robinette and Ray Findley. Our apologies to Coach Findley who was partially blocked out of the picture due to light striking our negative.

Santa Anna News Photo

Presbyterian Church Providing After Game Fellowship Friday

The Presbyterian Church of Santa Anna will be sponsoring an after game fellowship Friday evening following the first football game of the year in Bangs.

4-H Back To School Bash Sat.

The Coleman County 4-H Council is sponsoring a Back to School Bash for 4-H members and anyone who would like to enroll in 4-H. The bash will be held on Saturday, September 4 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church Hall from 7:00 to 11:00 p.m. The Council is planning several activities for prospective members and 4-H'ers which includes volleyball, ping-pong, bingo, nintendo games, and movies. Prizes will be awarded for the games.

All 4-H members are encouraged to attend and fill out an enrollment form. Each 4-H member can also bring a friend who would like to join 4-H.



NOTE: Dry cereal and graham crackers will be offered every day.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
Breakfast: Donuts, fruit juice and milk

Lunch: Salisbury steak, green beans, fruit juice, fruit cup, hot rolls, milk, brown gravy, steamed rice and honey

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
Breakfast: Pancakes, sausage, fruit juice, milk and syrup

Lunch: Turkey pot pie, sweet potatoes, apple, hot rolls, milk, cookies and honey

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, fruit juice and milk

Lunch: Taco bowl w/meat, shredded cheese, lettuce and tomatoes, refried beans, fruit juice, milk, brownie and taco sauce

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
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Rockwood News

By Billie Gay Abernathy

Brownwood on Monday for Faye's dr. appointment. Hayden visited with great granny Hettie Scarborough during the day. Hank, Darla, Hunter and Hayden were in Lowake on Friday for supper out. Janet Barker and Blaine visited Sunday afternoon with the family.

Register Now For Fall Soccer

Registration for the fall soccer season is now underway.

Registration forms have been distributed to county schools and are also available at the Land of the Lakes Sports Center in Coleman.

Children age 4 years or older as of August 1, 1993, can play by returning completed registration forms to the schools or to the Sports Center no later than Sept. 3rd.

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After four years with the Department of Public Safety, troopers will be able to compete for promotions within the Traffic Law Enforcement Division, which services such as Highway Patrol, Drivers License, Safety Education, License and Weight and Motor Vehicle Inspection. Promotional opportunities eventually will be available in other DPS areas, such as Criminal Law Enforcement—Narcotics, Criminal Intelligence, Motor Vehicle Theft, Polygraph and the Texas Rangers.

The Department of Public Safety will consider applicants who are at least 20 years of age and have either 60 hours of college credits or prior military or law enforcement experience. U. S. Citizenship, a Texas Driver's license and a willingness to accept assignment anywhere in the state are also required. An applicant must successfully complete a written examination, a physical exam, an agility test, oral interviews and a thorough background investigation before being accepted.

The DPS offers state benefits and a starting salary for troopers-cadets (while in training) of \$1,720.78 per month. Following graduation, troopers will be paid \$1,982.82 per month, with a raise every six months for the first year. Commissioned officers also receive hazardous duty pay and monthly allowances for meals, uniform cleaning and footwear. Uniforms and equipment are furnished by the Department.

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Ranger Park Inn

By Dorothy York



Maria Costello—Employee of the Month

Maria has worked at Ranger Park for three years. She is in house-keeping, but has also worked as a nursing assistant.

Maria is married and has seven children. She enjoys reading church literature in her leisure time.

Maria is very kind and considerate of our residents and staff, she always has a big smile and a hello for everyone.

Maria is a very important part of our team at Ranger Park, and like so many others is always willing to lend that extra hand and go that extra mile that is so important in team work.

Congratulations—You are a very valuable part of our team.

Rodney Dean was visited by Roddy Dean.

Doris Mathis was visited by Tom, Neddy, Joel and Carol Griebel.

Hazel Gibson was visited by Ron and Cindy Mills.

Johnie Lanier was visited by Velma and L. H. Dieterich.

Lillie Knotts was visited by Ila Todd.

Ancil Forbess was visited by Allen, Billie Priest, Martha Tate, G. W. Wilson, Peggy Denman, Leala Busby, Mildred Rodgers and Bobbie Forbess.

Ray Owen was visited by Tommy and Kay Dyer and Vernon Rowe.

Allene Barnett was visited by Letha Martin.

Lucille Diamond was visited by John Collins.

Mae McFarlin was visited by Letha Martin.

Lorene Wynn was visited by Joe Wynn and Letha Martin.

Byrdie Miller was visited by

Letha Martin and Mildred Ford.

Christine Sanders was visited by Peggy Johnson.

Lela Hays was visited by Letha Martin.

Erin Day was visited by Letha Martin.

Lois Haines and Myrtle Estes were visited by Raymond Estes and Ode Estes.

John Baker was visited by Mae Baker and Sylvia Edwards.

Jimmie McGregor was visited by Donna Cummings.

Mary Jo Lovell was visited by Velma Dieterich, Sharon Watson, Mack and Mary Ashmore, and Helen and Dolph Ashmore.

Hardon Phillips was visited by Leon Phillips, Lee Ray Huggins, and Syble Huggins.

Sybil Summers was visited by Vernon Rowe.

John Row was visited by Velma and L. H. Dieterich.

Tavy Ford was visited by the Rev. James and Mildred Ford.

Frances Horton was visited by Jean Newton and Cris M. D. Lee.

Pat DeWitt was visited by Lera Guthrie, Nick and Etta Earle Buse and Letha Martin.

Lilly Donaldson was visited by Randy Aaron, Lillie Oxford, Fred Donaldson and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Gregory.

Margaret Wilson was visited by Veta Wilson, Everett and Bonnie Yeilding, Jack, Carolyn and Elaine Wilson, Dewey Wilson, Lera Guthrie, Myrtle Pepper, and Maureen Wilson.

June Finlay was visited by Veta Wilson, Everett and Bonnie Yeilding, Jack, Carolyn and Elaine Wilson, Dewey Wilson, Lera Guthrie, Myrtle Pepper, and Maureen Wilson.

Alice Jones was visited by Frances Richardson, Freda Stephenson and William Earl Jones.

LIVING CENTER RESIDENTS

Modora Gilmore was visited by Paulette Newman and daughter, Letha Martin, and Pat and Doretha Gilmore.

Preston Cude was visited by Jesse Rae, Cleo Cude and John Collins.

Trickham News

By Anna York

Royce and Wanda McIver were in Houston the first of last week on business. On Saturday morning Wanda visited at Rockwood with Zellie Bryan and Andra and Keith of Arlington. Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bryan of Rockwood visited Royce and Wanda and they all attended the telephone meeting in Santa Anna. Sunday visitors with them were Mr. and Mrs. Britt McIver and family of Buffalo Gap and James Hedges of Clyde.

Tom and Wanda Johnson of Odessa spent Saturday night with her brother, Hilburn and Leona Henderson.

Reba and Elvis Cozart of Round Rock spent the weekend at their farm and Saturday evening Lois and Frank Wallace went with them to Brownwood where they met Alvin and Corrine Caraway of Goldthwaite at the Section Hand Restaurant for dinner.

Novella Stearns spent Tuesday night at McGregor with her son, Sherman Stearns and family.

Wesley Dockery visited a few days at Eden with Ray and Barbara Dockery and helped work cattle.

There were seven ladies present at the community center on Monday for quilting and twenty were present Thursday night for the 84 party. Rankin and Natalie McIver hosted.

Novella Stearns visited on Saturday morning with Mrs. Winnie Haynes.

Rankin and Natalie McIver met George and Goldie Haynes at the Cove Restaurant in Brownwood on Wednesday for dinner and visiting. George and Goldie were moving to Midland on Saturday. We wish them the best of luck in their move and new home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wallace of Las Cruces, New Mexico visited awhile Sunday afternoon with his brother and wife, Frank and Lois Wallace.

Lonnie Carter came over Thursday morning he and I drove to the scene of the fire and suddenly realized how fire can do so much damage in a short length of time, as I say. A few years back Mr. Young Price of near Houston purchased the Gill Ranch property has been im-

proving everything along the way. Recently he has had the "Ma" Gill ranch house worked on until it is a beautiful sight for the eyes. The house is rock—has painted trim and installed all new windows. Did a way with the old fence. Installed a nice chain length fence on all four sides of the house. A large yard also. Also tore the old car house down at back of house and replace with a nice pretty metal house and carport. All old barns and buildings and all cow lots have been cleared. The place is beautiful. Lots of work in value as well as money. Just south of the "Ma" Gill house years past a rock house was built for Allen and Bess Gill who lived there at one time. They are now working on redoing the Allen Gill house. It is not completed at this time for myself and I feel I can include the entire community a big thanks for everyone's help. Just looking everything over could see how much more damage could and would have been done to our community if it had not been for those dear ones who cared.

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I talked with Mr. Graham Fitzpatrick during the week. He seemed to be doing very well. Reports no improvements in his wife's condition who has been a patient in Brownwood hospital for quite a long period of time.

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Whon News

By Mrs. Tom Rutherford

In the beginning of our little community news is quite different this week. No one was hurt or injured and not a great lot of damage done but only happens once ever once in a while but has been a pretty regular occurrence in Coleman County for quite a while. Wednesday afternoon the Santa Anna Fire Department was called to the Price Ranch which to lots of people that may not know is what in past years was the "Gill Ranch". If I understand correctly the fire was caused from welding on new fences being installed. Started north or northwest of the "Ma" Gill house near Camp Creek which is east of Whon. No damage was done to any buildings, only pastures and fences and Thursday afternoon the fire department was called back to the same place where the fire originated again which burned more pasture but no one was hurt just more pasture was covered on the north part of the ranch portion.

I feel I can speak for everyone in our community about the work of the firefighters. I was told two fire trucks returned from Santa Anna on Thursday. A fire truck from Bangs was out on Wednesday and could have been Thursday. I cannot say. Also the Massey Ranch south of Whon. Some people remember it as being the "Ford Barnes Ranch" 5 miles south of Whon had their firefighting equipment assisting in fighting the fire and this was great help itself. The Massey Ranch men and equipment were back fighting the blaze on Thursday. We sure do trust that everyone in our community are very thankful for all the help rendered. For those who lost in Coleman county fires the past few fires we did think of everyone but getting closer to our own homes made us more thankful for firemen and firefighting equipment while on the subject I am going further.

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The Santa Anna Independent School District is required by state law to publish the accompanying tax notice in this form, even though the notice is deceptive.

Because of an omission in the recently-enacted state law, Santa Anna I.S.D. may not include revenue collected by the county education district in the calculation of taxes for the 1992-93 school year. The effect of this is to understate last year's actual school tax rate and produce an inaccurate comparison of last year's tax rate.

The correct comparison of tax rates is as follows:

Last years' (1992-93) total school tax rate (including county education district taxes).	<u>1.40</u>
This year's (1993-94) proposed school tax rate:	<u>1.34</u>
Percentage change:	<u>-4.25</u>

This notice is required by the Texas Legislature

* The percentage increase shown in the first paragraph below may appear unusually high because it does not reflect 1992 taxes now levied by the now abolished county education district (CED). In 1992, the CED levied a portion of the taxes used for school purposes, and the school district levied the remainder of school taxes. In 1993, school districts will levy all school taxes. For an explanation of the increase, attend the public hearing scheduled below or call your school district.

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Santa Anna Independent School District will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in 1992 by 269 percent. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of other property.

The public hearing will be held on September 14, 1993 at 7:00 p.m. FOR the proposal: Edwin Hipsher, Gary Absher, Barbara Simmons, Sharon Guthrie AGAINST the proposal: Marty Donham, Roddy Dean, Roy Joe Harvey PRESENT and not voting: None ABSENT: None

The statement above shows the percentage increase the proposed rate represents over the Effective tax rate that the unit published on AUGUST 24, 1993. The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average home value	\$ 16,012	\$ 16,621
General exemptions available (amount available on the average home, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Average taxable value	\$ 11,012	\$ 11,621
Tax rate	.36 /\$100	1.34 /\$100 (proposed)
Tax	\$ 39.64	\$ 155.60 (proposed)

Under this proposal taxes on the average home would increase by \$115.96 or 292 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by \$107.92 per \$100 of taxable value or 272 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

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